

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 10/595,412  
Applicant : YAMAGUCHI, Y. et al.  
Confirmation No. : 8924  
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TC/A.U. : 1617  
Examiner : SOROUSH, LAYLA  
Docket No. : KPO-LTT-P3/LTT-82/US  
Customer No. : 44702  
Title : METHOD FOR ADJUSTING PARTICLE SIZE OF RETINOIC ACID NANOPARTICLES COATED WITH INORGANIC SALT OF POLYVALENT METAL, AND THE NANOPARTICLES PRODUCED BY THE SAME METHOD (as amended herein)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment  
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Sir:

Prior to the examination of the present application, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 3 of this paper.